Quiz 5-2-16  
Political Parties  
  
Chapter 5 Political Parties  
  
1. Political parties are vital to democracy in that they provide a link ​between   
a. the party and the voter.   
b. ​the government and institutions.   
c. ​the candidate and the voter.   
d. ​people and government..   
  
2. Which of the following is not a function of political parties?   
a. ​Nominate and elect their members to local public offices.   
b. ​Simplify the issues for the voters   
c. ​Mobilize voters in the electoral process   
d. ​Run the government at whatever level they are active   
  
3. In Texas, third-party candidates must receive what percentage of the vote to get on the ballot?   
a. 6   
b. 10   
c. 5.   
d. 20   
  
4. What is the lowest level of party organization?   
a. State   
b. Precinct.   
c. District   
d. Neighborhood associations   
  
5. The national party organization provides state parties and candidates with a variety of which services?   
a. Public opinion polling   
b. Computer networking   
c. Direct mailing   
d. All of the above. 

6. The shift in party identification in the state can be attributed to all of the following reasons except   
a. an emphasis on civil rights in the 1960s and 1970s.   
b. the popularity of President Lyndon Johnson..   
c. the impact of President Ronald Reagan.   
d. the election of George W. Bush to the presidency in 2000 and 2004.   
  
7. The roles of a party precinct chair include all of the following except   
a. organizing in the precinct.   
b. helping to organize party activities.   
c. arranging and presiding over the precinct convention.   
d. serving as a member of the state executive committee..   
  
8. All of the following are part of the state’s Democratic Party’s platform except they   
a. believe that government should provide multi language instruction.   
b. oppose economic policies that cut essential services and investments in the future.   
c. support establishment of a Texas Death Penalty Punishment Commission to study the Texas death penalty system.   
d. believe the federal government should not change the No Child Left Behind program..   
  
9. All of the following are part of the state’s Republican Party’s platform except they   
a. demand abolition of bilingual education.   
b. oppose an income tax at all levels of government.   
c. propose amnesty for long-term, working illegal immigrants..   
d. believe that properly applied capital punishment is legitimate and an effective deterrent.   
  
10. The duties of the state’s political parties’ executive committees include all of the following except   
a. determining the site of the next state convention.   
b. nominating state party candidates..   
c. producing and disseminating press releases and other publicity.   
d. raising money and coordinate special projects. 